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Mr. Scott S. Harris Clerk of the Court Supreme Court of the United States One First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20543

RE: Elster v. City of Seattle, No. 19-608

Dear Mr. Harris:

Respondent City of Seattle respectfully requests a one-month extension to and including Monday, February 10, 2020, to file its opposition to the petition for certiorari. *See* Rule 30.4.

After obtaining a 30-day extension, Petitioners filed their petition on November 7, 2019. The City waived its right to respond on November 26. The Court requested the City's response on December 10, setting a deadline of January 9, 2020.

The City seeks this extension because the City's counsel of record is engaged with the press of other litigation and client needs and has scheduled travel over the upcoming holidays. The extension should also enable the City to prepare a coordinated response to the *amicus curiae* brief filed by the Goldwater Institute and an *amicus curiae* brief the Center for Constitutional Jurisprudence has informed the City it intends to file. Briefs of *amici curiae* are due January 8, 2020. *See* Rule 37.2(a).

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

/s/ Roger D. Wynne, Counsel of Record for Respondent City of Seattle

cc: Petitioners' Counsel
Peter S. Holmes, Seattle City Attorney